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6. Its really the man-and TAD is now doing a survey of procurement of press and periodicals world-vide--ve should get in

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- 7. Liaison all goes through (unlike with and relations are felt to be remote and work and support unfelt.
- 3. The Joint Press Reading Service in Moscow doing good job and sending their stuff directly to American Council of Learned Societies which does a Digest of the Soviet Press--regional and metropolitan--amazingly quick service and very good--they have had financing difficulties (maybe FDD should support it?)
- 9. Other local reading services are working, query where and how well and how completely they cover the world. FDD might well see that this is done. (cf. IAD survey)
- 10. Evans sees danger in FDD getting into research and doing studies--exploitation must not become this. (cf. go-rounds on FDD's NSCID)
- 11. Indexing would be most useful--although Evans sort of thought it was being done by FDD already--translating tables of contents along with abstracts.